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| Attorney's Docket No.: | JG-SU-5243/500577.20087 | |
| U.S. Application No.: | Unassigned 10/583705 | |
| International Application No.: | PCT/JP2005/009164 | |
| International Filing Date: | MAY 19, 2005 | 19 MAY 2005 |
| Priority Date Claimed: | JUNE 25 2004 DECEMBER 15 2004 | 25 JUNE 2004 15 DECEMBER 2004 |
| Title of Invention: | UNDERGROUND WATER STORAGE TANK | |
| Applicant(s) for (DO/EO/US): | Seiichiro TAKAI | |

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- [X] 1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
[] 2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
[] 3. This express request to begin national examination procedures [35 U.S.C. 371 (f)]. The submission must include items (5), (6), (9), and (21) indicated below.
[] 4. The US has been elected (Article 31).
[X] 5. A copy of the Publication No. WO 2006/001139 International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]
a) [X] is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
b) [] has been communicated by the international Bureau.
c) [] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
[X] 6. An English language translation of the Publication No. WO 2006/001139 International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]
a) [X] is attached hereto
b) [] has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
[X] 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]
a) [X] are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
b) [] have been communicated by the international Bureau.
c) [] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has **NOT** expired.
d) [] have not been made and will not be made
[X] 8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]
[] 9. An Oath or declaration of the inventor(s) [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)] **EXECUTED Decl/POA -TO FOLLOW LATER**
[] 10. An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)]

Items 11. to 20. Below concern other document(s) or information included:

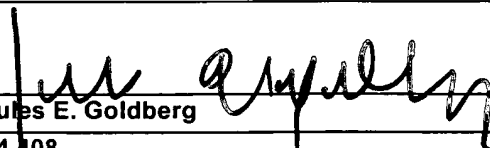
- [X] 11. **An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98**
[] 12. An Assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet (PTO-1595) in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
[X] 13. **A preliminary amendment**
[] 14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76
[X] 15. A substitute specification with abstract (attached to the preliminary amendment)
[] 16. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter
[] 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825.
[] 18. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).
[] 19. A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).
[X] 20. (other items or information) **PCT/ISA/210 08/23/05 and PTO Form 1449 and Five (5) references**

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service Express mail under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313 1450

/Ruth Montalvo Date: **June 21, 2006**

| U.S. Application No. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.50): | | | | | Page 2 | |
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| International Application No.: PCT/JP2009/069484 | | | | | Attorney's Docket No: JG-SU-5243/500577.20087 | |
| The following fees are submitted: | | | | | Applicant use | Office use only |
| [X] 21 Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)) \$ 300.00 | | | | | \$ 300.00 | |
| [X] 22 Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(b)) If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the International Preliminary Examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Articles 33(1)-(4) \$ 0.00 All other situations..... \$200.00 | | | | | \$ 200.00 | |
| [X] 23 Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(c)) If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the International Preliminary Examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Articles 33(1)-(4) \$ 0.00 Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority \$100.00 International Searching Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by IB \$400.00 All other situations..... \$500.00 | | | | | \$ 500.00 | |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS: | | | | | \$1,000.00 | |
| [] Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (b) or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium) 37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. | | | | | | |
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| Claims | Number Filed | | | Number Extra | Rate | |
| Total Claims: | 8 | | - 20 | 0 | X \$ 50.00 | \$ |
| Independent Claims: | 2 | | - 3 | 0 | X \$ 200.00 | \$ |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) | | | | | + \$ 360.00 | \$ |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS: | | | | | \$1,000.00 | |
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| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS: | | | | | \$1,000.00 | |
| [X] Applicant claims Small Entity Status [See 37 CFR 1.27] Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity | | | | | - | \$500.00 |
| SUBTOTAL: | | | | | \$500.00 | |
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| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE: | | | | | \$ | |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment [37 CFR 1.21(h)] The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (PTO-1595) [37 CFR 3.28, 3.31]. \$ 40.00 per property | | | | | + | \$ |
| TOTAL FEE(S): | | | | | \$500.00 | |
| AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED | | | | | | \$ |
| AMOUNT TO BE CHARGED | | | | | | \$ |
| (Please note the filing fee is based on the claims in the Preliminary Amendment) | | | | | | |
| a) [X] Check in the amount of \$500.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. | | | | | | |
| b) [] Please charge my Deposit Account No 50-1529 in the amount of \$.00 to cover the fee.. | | | | | | |
| c) [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required with this submission or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No: 50-1529.) | | | | | | |
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| NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 36 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive [37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)] must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status. | | | | | | |
| SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: Jules E. Goldberg, Esq. Reed Smith LLP (Customer No. 026418) 599 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10022-7650 | | | | Signature: |  | |
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